

## **DISTRICT ATTENDANCE AREAS**

It is the goal of Bainbridge Island School District to maintain stable school attendance areas and minimize involuntary school transfers. Students in the district will attend the school designated for the geographic attendance area in which he or she resides. However, the attendance area may vary from year to year and/or for each grade level. Concerted efforts will be made to minimize student moves between schools by determining teacher assignments based on the projected enrollment for each grade level at each school and by carefully reviewing all requests for specific school assignment submitted by parents (see Policy 3131).

In an effort to maintain equitable class sizes and permit the various elementary schools of the district to maintain classroom space for specialist classes, programs for students with disabilities, and other specialized services offered to students, the Bainbridge Island School District authorizes the use of flexible boundary lines for each elementary school in the district.

An explanation of flexible boundaries will be outlined each year as a part of the Kindergarten Parent Information Night, and as a part of the enrollment process for new students.

When possible, families of students who may be impacted by a potential change of school assignment will be notified by phone or by email before the end of the current school year. Building administrators will be available mid-August to review school assignment concerns with parent(s). For those students affected by school transfers, principals will establish a time when students and their parents may visit the new school prior to the first day of school.

This decision will be made by the school district administration after carefully considering all relevant information as outlined in Procedure 3130.

Request for specific school assignment may be submitted for consideration according to Policy and Procedure 3131.

When registering a student without a legal residence, the school district will comply with Policy No. 3115, Homeless Students: Enrollment Rights and Services.

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Cross References: Board Policy 2210      Grade Organization

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District Attendance Area Transfers

Legal References: RCW 28A.320.040      Bylaws for board and school government